Service Date: March 1, 2002

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER OF MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES CO., Application for Approval of A Contract Service Rate (Market Retention Rate) for Electric Service.	) ) )	UTILITY DIVISION DOCKET NO. D98.1.14 ORDER NO. 6055b
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## SUPPLEMENTAL FINAL ORDER

- 1. On January 28, 1998, Montana Dakota Utilities, Co. (MDU), filed an application before the Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission), requesting approval to implement Contract Service Rate 35, which reflects an electric services contract between MDU and Shell Western E&P, Inc.
- 2. On February 24, 1998 the Commission approved the requested rate and issued Final Order 6055.
- 3. In June of 1999 Encore Acquisition, Inc., took over operation of the Shell facilities covered under the Contract Services Rate 35 Agreement.
- 4. On January 22, 2002, MDU submitted its Contract Services Rate 35 updated to reflect the terms of the Service Agreement. The Commission noticed this rate change through it Business Meeting Agenda, no protests were received.
- 5. The PSC has considered MDU's updated application and determines that it should be approved as filed, effective for services rendered on or after March 2, 2002.

  DONE AND DATED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002, by a vote of 5 to 0.

NOTE:

## BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

	GARY FELAND, Chairman
	JAY STOVALL, Vice Chairman
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	BOB ANDERSON, Commissioner
	MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner
	BOB ROWE, Commissioner
ATTEST:	
Rhonda J. Simmons Commission Secretary	
(SEAL)	

Any interested party may request the Commission to reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. <u>See</u> ARM 38.2.4806.